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Westside Salmon Announcement 21 **Emergency Order 25**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside salmon announcement number 21 issued Monday, July 1 at 12:00 p.m.

The cumulative Wood River sockeye salmon escapement at 6:00 a.m. was 846,000, Igushik River escapement is 167,000. The Nushagak River sockeye salmon escapement through June 30 was 707,000; the king salmon escapement was 69,440. There are 372 permits registered to fish in the Nushagak District. The commercial harvest yesterday was 248,000 sockeye salmon, making the cumulative harvest 2.09 million.

As previously announced, commercial fishing with drift gillnets in the Nushagak District will close at 5:00 p.m. July 1. Commercial fishing will reopen with drift gillnets in the Nushagak District for 10 hours; from 9:00 p.m. July 1 until 7:00 a.m. July 2, and again for 8 hours from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. July 2.

The areas closed in response to the sinking of the tender in the Igushik River remain closed for now. A survey is being flown of the area as we speak and as soon as we have information from the survey we will take whatever action is appropriate.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.

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